

# MILPITAS MATTERS

AUGUST 4 2023

THE OFFICIAL BI-WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF THE CITY OF MILPITAS



## **MESSAGE FROM ACTING CITY MANAGER NED THOMAS**

August is a month that symbolizes the importance of self-care, health routines, and stress management. Now, more than ever, taking care of ourselves and prioritizing our mental and physical health is essential. This month serves as a gentle reminder to pause, reflect, and make positive changes in our lifestyles that will contribute to a healthier, happier future. Although there isn't a single definition of wellness, it generally refers to the absence of negative emotions such as depression and anxiety and the presence of positive feelings such as life satisfaction and fulfillment.

Here in Milpitas, we are committed to providing a wide range of services to promote wellness. The Recreation and Community Services Department has compiled a list of valuable <u>resources</u> and workshops to assist residents. *Did you know that the City provides a range of health services and classes designed to promote wellness?* From domestic violence 101 classes to the youth mental

health first aid program, there are plenty of resources available to you. We also have financial programs like the <u>Milpitas Assistance Program</u>, which offers subsidies for recreation fees, water/sewer services, some residential permit fees, and childcare. In addition, the City hosts a variety of fun <u>activities</u> and outdoor events, including arts and crafts, music and dance, and mental health and stress relief workshops.

Remember, we are here to support you and ensure that you stay physically, mentally, and emotionally healthy. Whether you're looking to learn more about mental health, explore new hobbies, or simply connect with others in your community, there's something for everyone. With a diverse range of health services, classes, and events on offer, you're sure to find something that resonates with you. Let's celebrate National Wellness Month by prioritizing our health and encouraging those around us to do the same!

# TWENTY-EIGHT MILPITAS NEIGHBORHOODS PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

This year, twenty-eight neighborhoods throughout the City hosted the National Night Out (NNO) event. This year's NNO Theme: Prevent Crime - Anywhere, Anytime, Anyone. The Annual National Night Out is a crime and drug prevention even designed to (1) heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts; (3) strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. It was a great opportunity to meet and reconnect with the Milpitas community!

## COMPREHENSIVE ZONING UPDATE

The Background and Recommendations Report for the zoning update is now available for public review on the project website (see the "Project Updates" section). This report is an important project milestone, as it will inform the content of and approach to the comprehensive zoning update. A review of the City's existing zoning ordinance as well as several other City policy documents (2040 General Plan, 2023-2031 Housing Element, Economic Development Strategy, Climate Action Plan, etc.) has been completed along with an analysis of the City's compliance to existing zoning regulations with relevant, current state and federal laws. The results of this analysis are summarized in the Background and Recommendations Report, along with an identification of items and topics to be addressed through the zoning update. Public comments on the report are welcome and may be submitted through the project website or via email to hpearson@milpitas.gov.

## **UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS**

A series of public meetings will be held later this month, focused on the Background and Recommendations Report (along with the draft new zoning districts and updated citywide zoning map). Community Workshop (virtual only) - Tuesday 8/22 6pm-8pm; Zoning Advisory Group Meeting #2 (hybrid) - Thursday 8/24 6pm-8pm; Planning Commission Study Session (hybrid) - Wednesday 8/30 7pm-9pm. Further details about each meeting, including virtual meeting links, in-person location (if applicable), and meeting materials will be shared shortly.

### MAIN STREET REVITALIZATION

The Office of Economic Development hosted a Business Improvement District (BID) Workshop for property and business owners located on North and South Main Street on July 18, 2023, at offices of Olinger Real Estate. Mayor Carmen Montano welcomed over 25 attendees (in-person and virtually) and shared her vision for Main Street Revitalization. The consultant team from Community Strong Strategies presented an overview of property-based BIDs including the structure, operations, and potential assessment process, as well as the community benefits of establishing a BID and a schedule of next steps. The next BID Workshop is scheduled for August 9th and will be held at the Milpitas Public Library starting at 5:00 pm.

## NEW CITY MANAGER RECRUITMENT

The executive recruitment for Milpitas' next City Manager is currently under way and will be open until Friday, August 18, 2023. All inquires should be sent to <a href="mailto:tony@peckhamandmckenney.com">tony@peckhamandmckenney.com</a>, the executive recruiter handling this critical placement. The brochure and recruitment information can be found <a href="mailto:HERE">HERE</a> on the City website.











#### INNOVATION DISTRICT BRANDING INITIATIVE

On June 2nd, staff issued the Innovation District Branding Initiative Request for Proposals (RFP). The RFP was publicly noticed in accordance with the City's Municipal Code, advertised on the City's website, and email notifications were sent to companies subscribed to receive alerts for any new bid opportunities. One firm submitted a complete proposal in response to the RFP by the submittal deadline of June 30th. The proposal is being evaluated and interviews are tentatively scheduled to take place the week of August 7th. In accordance with the adopted Innovation District Action Plan, the Innovation District Branding Initiative RFP seeks to retain an expert marketing consultant to develop a business and investment attraction campaign.

### SUSHI ADACHI RIBBON CUTTING

On July 29, Mayor Carmen Montano, Vice Mayor Evelyn Chua, members of the Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce, community members, and City staff attended the ribbon cutting event of Milpitas' newest Japanese restaurant, Sushi Adachi located at 668 Barber Lane. Sushi Adachi's mission is to elevate the to-go dining experience by meticulously sourcing and preparing the highest-quality ingredients and presenting them in an elegant and refined manner to provide the ultimate sushi experience. Mayor Montano and Vice Mayor Chua presented the business owners with a City proclamation to officially welcome Sushi Adachi in Milpitas.

# LEGOLAND® DISCOVERY CENTER BAY AREA 2023 MASTER MODEL BUILDER EVENT

On July 27, the 2023 Brick Factor event was held at the Legoland Discovery Center Bay Area in Milpitas. Top applicants were invited to compete in a live contest. Participants executed three rounds of timed freestyle builds using their imagination and skills in an elimination-style competition while interacting and engaging with kids. Milpitas Vice Mayor Evelyn Chua served as one of the guest judges during the hours-long competition aimed at finding a new master model builder. Lego model builders are the ones who design and build the models decorating LEGO's discovery centers around the world. This year's winner is Lester Mendaros from Newark.

#### MILPITAS FIRE DEPARTMENT CAREER FAIR

On July 12, the Milpitas Fire Department partnered with Mission College and other Fire, Law and EMS agencies throughout Santa Clara County for another successful career fair. There was a strong showing by all Fire Departments looking to mentor, recruit, and hire the next generation of Public Service Professionals. A special thank you goes out to E89 with Captain Geoff Maloon, Engineer Paramedic Derek Chui, and Firefighter Paramedic Sean Pickel for hosting another highly attended recruitment fair. This was the second event the City has participated in this year. We hope to see the prospective recruits we met that day apply to our Fire Department soon.

## MILPITAS PD OFFICER MOORE RECOGINIZED

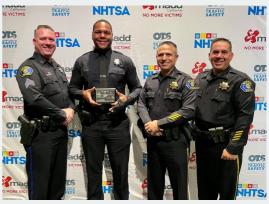
Officer Moore was recognized at the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) awards ceremony in Danville, CA, for his incredible efforts in enforcing impaired driving laws. Each year, MADD recognizes law enforcement officers, prosecutors, first responders, and community groups for their dedication to impaired driving enforcement and prosecution. In 2022, Officer Moore arrested 42 impaired drivers, saving lives and making our community safer. Congratulations Officer Moore, and thank you for your selfless dedication to Milpitas! We are incredibly grateful for your service!











## COASTAL CLEANUP DAY

Calling all leaders -- Coastal Cleanup Day is coming up! Show your appreciation for the Bay and your local watershed by hosting a cleanup event at your local creek. The Creek Connections Action Group (CCAG) is looking for site coordinators to host creek cleanup events across Milpitas, and all of Santa Clara County, on Saturday, September 23. A free training session and all necessary materials are provided. For more information, please email volunteer@valleywater.org, or call Valley Water's volunteer hotline at (408) 630-2333! Registration closes on Monday, August 14!

## BART SAFETY WORK

During the upcoming weekends of August 26-27, September 9-10, and September 23-24, BART will cut back and remove trees along the trackway between the Union City and Fremont stations. This work will protect the BART system from fallen trees that could damage trains, critical infrastructure, and disrupt service BART. BART will replace regular train service with free bus connections between Union City and Fremont from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the affected dates. Milpitas riders can expect delays of 30 minutes during these weekends.

#### WIN A PS5!

Calling all Milpitas teens! We want to hear from you. The Milpitas Teen Center is conducting a survey to learn about what activities, programs, and events teens in our community would like to see at the Teen Center. Complete the Milpitas Teen Center Survey to enter the chance drawing to win a PlayStation 5.

Take this 5-minute survey now: <a href="https://ow.ly/PLI550Pk16h">https://ow.ly/PLI550Pk16h</a>

## RETRO MILPITAS AT THE SPORTS CENTER

Relive the fun of growing up in Milpitas in the 1970s-2000s at our newest special event, Retro Milpitas! This two-day event takes place on August 4-5, from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. at the Milpitas Sports Center, 1325 E. Calaveras Blvd. This event features a roller skating rink and activity area with water slides. Tickets are available for purchase here: <a href="https://ow.ly/FGx250PjSWK">https://ow.ly/FGx250PjSWK</a>

- Free kids activities and lawn games
- DI Music
- Food Trucks (available for purchase)
- Best Decade Costume Contests

Friday, August 4

- Theme: 1970s and 1980s
- Free concert: Billy Martini Show

Saturday, August 5

- Theme: 1990s and 2000s
- Free concert: Other People's Money
- Skateboard Competition (on-site registration)

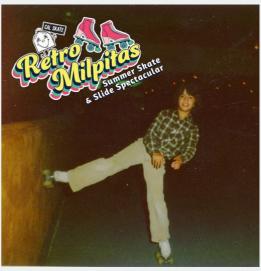
Buy your tickets for the skating rink and activity area now! https://cityofmilpitas.simpletix.com

To learn more, please visit <a href="https://ow.ly/2exs50PjTjP">https://ow.ly/2exs50PjTjP</a>









#### DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

**Sango Court Apartments, 355 Sango Ct.**, (2) four-story residential buildings of wood modular construction above first floor concrete podiums with a steel bridge connecting the two buildings providing 102 affordable housing units by Resources for Community Development.

This week waterproofing at exterior corridors where the manlift was previously attached to the building at tower one AKA building one, and site improvements are most of the work done this week. Site improvements work included onsite curb, sidewalks, fence post installation on westside, and drainage related concrete work.





**308 Sango Court Apartments, 308 Sango Ct.**, a 5-story over 1-level parking 85-unit affordable housing development by The Pacific Companies.

Underground plumbing and foundation work have been progressing well.



## KLA Plus, located at 5 Technology Dr.

To allow an earlier start of construction, a temporary permit was issued to KLA Plus to install equipment in the clean line and optics room.

#### **BUILDING PERMITS AND OCCUPANCY**

Building permits were issued to the following:

**Apple Inc.**, for site improvements at their facility located at 260 S Milpitas Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$775,000.

**LeanTeq, LLC.**, a semiconductor manufacturing company, for installation of mechanical equipment's at its facility located at 1530 McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$235,000.

**McCarthy Center Holdings LLC.**, for re-roofing at their facility located at 660 N McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$200,000.

**Summerhill Apartments**, for construction of second 5-story parking garage and second mixed use building consisting of 361 units with total of 694 multi-family units residential with commercial development located at 301 Gates Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$105.6M.

Building permit applications were submitted by the following:

**Prologis Inc./ Duke Reality**, for construction of a new 1-story tilt up shell building, proposed use for warehouse, light industrial, research development & office located at 475 Sycamore Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$22.4M.

**Advantech Corporation**, for installation of six photovoltaic canopy carport structures with total of 1008, 554.4 KW PV modules installed on these carports located at 380 Fairview Wy at an estimated construction cost of \$1.5M.

**Irvine Company**, for tenant improvements consist of replacement of rooftop units at their facilities located at 680 N & 870 N McCarthy Bl. at an estimated construction cost of \$1.1M.

**KLA Plus**, a semiconductor manufacturing company, for tenant improvements at their existing facility located at 1 Technology Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$600,000.

The following businesses have received final inspection and are now open for operation:

**Nidaan Systems, Inc.**, an IT consulting & implantation services located at 860 Hillview Ct.

Mini Cat Town, non-profit kitten rescue with an adoption floor center located at Great Mall.

Xian steam seafood & stone Grill, a Chinese restaurant located at 500 Barber Ln.

RM.2, a body art & permanent make up studio located at 1369 Jacklin Rd.

**Nome Capital Partners, LLC**, an administrative office for new real estate asset management business located at 691 S Milpitas Blvd.

## WAYS TO CONNECT WITH US



www.milpitas.gov



@MilpitasCityGov



@CityofMilpitas



www.nextdoor.com/agency-detail/ca/milpitas/city-of-milpitas/



www.linkedin.com/company/city-of-milpitas



https://www.youtube.com/c/CityofMilpitas455/videos/